

Thursday, January 20, 2000

Endeavour launch set for no earlier than Jan. 31



Volunteers needed to help with KSC bone marrow drive



▲ **Shuttle Update: Following Tuesday's Flight Readiness Review** at KSC, NASA managers announced that Space Shuttle Endeavour will launch no earlier than Jan. 31, on mission STS-99, pending resolution of an ongoing orbiter tile evaluation and completion of other planned open

work. A missing tile noticed on orbiter Discovery after its landing Dec. 27 prompted a review of tile work on both orbiters, which is still under way.

▲ **Marrow Registration Drive:** KSC is hosting the 3rd annual Marrow Registration Drive on Feb. 15-18, 2000.

Volunteers are needed to attempt to educate and recruit as many potential marrow donors as possible. A volunteers meeting will be held Friday, Jan. 21, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., in the Training Auditorium. This drive is being coordinated by both Civil Service and contractors. If you are interested, please contact project leads Dr. John Cinco, john.cinco-1@ksc.nasa.gov, 867-6130; or Jennifer Murray, jennifer.murray-1@ksc.nasa.gov, 867-6673.

◆ **Federally Employed Women (FEW) 21st Annual Training Program** – “2000 Possibilities” is this year's theme for the annual training program sponsored by the Space Coast Chapter of Federally Employed Women (FEW) to be held Feb. 2, with an encore performance on Feb. 3. The site is the Holiday Inn in Cocoa Beach, Fla. Registration begins at 8 a.m. each day and will be followed by a Continental breakfast. The opening session begins at 9 a.m. with a welcome by Space Coast Chapter President Ms. Vickie Hall. The keynote speaker is Ms. Libby Wells Massey, formerly with the NASA/KSC Equal Opportunity Program Office. The workshops, which will be repeated on

both days, are “Is Your Life All You Want It to Be?,” by Elaine M. Ross; “Crime Prevention and Personal Safety,” presented by Metro Crime Prevention of Florida; “Project a Powerful Positive Image,” by Dee Blauvelt; and “Maintaining Balance and Dual Career Concerns - Family & Work,” by Victoria Peak. Total cost for one day is \$69, which includes two workshop sessions and a complimentary lunch. Door prizes will be given away during lunch. Also, about 30 exhibitors will be demonstrating their products/services. Contact your Training Coordinator or Clara Anderson at 639-3154.

◆ **Celebration of the First Launch From Florida** -- The USAF, supported by numerous contractors and private agencies, continues the year-long celebration of the first launch from Florida: Bumper 8, a modified German V2 rocket, on July 24, 1950. The next monthly celebration is the dedication by The U. S. Space Walk of Fame in Titusville of a plaque, displaying the winner of the school student art work, on Saturday, Jan. 22, at 10:30 a.m. Lunch in the park will follow at 11:30 a.m. The dedication will take place at the east end of Broad Street on the bank of the Indian River. The public is invited.

◆ **Did You Know? There are specific clothing requirements** for visiting launch area space vehicle processing areas: low, wide-heeled shoes that cover the entire foot; full-length trousers and slacks; long- or short-sleeved or sleeveless blouses will be permitted, but tank-tops, shorts, skirts and dresses are prohibited. And remember that tour groups are not exempt from this requirement.

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Deadlines: 10 a.m. the day before. Send information, comments or questions to:

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